

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2020-106-A

In re: Actions in Response to COVID-19

MOTION FOR AN ORDER ALLOWING A
VERIFICATION TO BE USED IN LIEU OF
AN AFFIDAVIT

I, Charles L.A. Terreni, an attorney who regularly appears before the Public Service Commission, move for an Order allowing, until further notice, the use of a verification in lieu of an affidavit when the latter is required by the Commission's forms or rules and regulations (*e.g.* Application for Class E Certificate, Payphone Service Provider Application, and Gross Receipts forms). Such an order would be consistent the Supreme Court's Order of April 22, 2020, regarding the Operation of the Trial Courts during the Coronavirus Emergency. S.C. App. Case 2020-000447. The Supreme Court's order states in pertinent part:

Certification in Lieu of Affidavit. If a statute, court rule or other provision of law requires an affidavit to be filed in an action, the requirement of an affidavit may be satisfied by a signed certification of the maker stating, "I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment by contempt."

Movant urges the Commission to also allow this verification instead of an affidavit so parties and counsel may minimize physical contact during COVID 19 pandemic.

Respectfully submitted,

s/ Charlie Terreni

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